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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

OISHI et al.

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Title: OPTICAL FIBER COATING METHOD AND COATING APPARATUS

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I hereby certify that two of the enclosed documents listed on the herewith Form PTO-1449 are cited in the attached International Search Report, dated January 26, 1999, issued in a foreign counterpart application, and others are cited on pages 1 and 2 of this application.

Report for the degree of relevance (category) of each document and for the particular passages cited therefor.

Contingent Request Under Rule 97(c): Should a First Action on the merits have been issued on the same day or before this Information Disclosure Statement is filed, please accept this Information Disclosure Statement under Rule 97 (c) and charge the requisite Rule 17(p) fee to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975 under Order No. 7898/265102, and proceed to consider this Information Disclosure Statement.

This Information Disclosure Statement is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f) to enable Applicant to comply fully.


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Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the herewith Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 along with an early Action on the merits of this application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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